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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR)
MEASURING THE WEIGHT OF AN)
OPTICAL FIBER PREFORM DURING A)
CHEMICAL DEPOSITION PROCESS FOR)
FORMING THE PREFORM)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before examining this application, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this amendment.

An abstract is provided on page 10 of this amendment and as a separate page enclosed herewith.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this amendment.